

## Message Text

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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY PARIS

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 279726

USOECD, EXCON

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: ESTC, COCOM

SUBJECT: CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION

REF: STATE 115418 (5/16/75)

1. THE LOCAL CDC REP PHONED DEPT. NOV. 21 TO ASK IF U.S.  
HAD ANSWERED GERMAN THE QUESTION ON COCOM DOC (77) 589.  
QUERIED ON MORE DETAIL, HE SAID THE QUESTION HAD BEEN  
RAISED BY THE GERMANS ON NOV. 4. CDC INDICATED IT WAS  
AWARE OF QUESTION THROUGH ITS PARIS CONTACTS.

2. IT IS NOT AN INFREQUENT OCCURRENCE WHEN OTHER U.S. FIRMS  
(READ IBM) ADVISE THE DEPARTMENT ON QUESTIONS, ANSWERS OR  
COCOM ACTION ON CERTAIN CASES BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN  
OFFICIALLY INFORMED BY THE USDEL. FREQUENTLY THE U.S. FIRM  
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ASKS FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION BY U.S. AGENCIES ON THE BASIS  
OF ITS INFORMATION.

3. FROM ALL APPEARANCES, THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF COCOM IS  
BEING BREACHED, NOT ONLY IN GENERALITIES, BUT DOWN TO  
SPECIFIC QUESTIONS. ALTHOUGH THE USG DOES NOT WANT TO  
FORMALLY RAISE THE ISSUE IN COMMITTEE AT THIS TIME WE WOULD

APPRECIATE ANY INFORMAL ACTION THE USDEL CAN TAKE TO TIGHTEN  
THE COMMITTEE'S RESPONSIBILITY TO HANDLE COCOM MATTERS WITH  
THE AGREED CONFIDENTIALITY. HABIB

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## Message Attributes

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